



CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION UPDATE FOR THE WEEK OF June 30, 2009

Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources

The Plant Science Pathway was the focus of the professional development held in Red Lodge June 22 – June 26. Almost 60 Agriculture teachers attended, participating in numerous sessions related to teaching and understanding the pathway.

The process and procedures have been developed related to HB 464 Funding, which was legislation passed in the most recent session related to Agriculture Program Standards. At the summer conference, information was presented to teachers related to how the monies will be disbursed, application procedures, how the monies should be used, etc.

Another pathway training session is planned for August for new and beginning teachers on the campus at MSU – Bozeman. As we know more details, we'll let you know.

Respectfully submitted,

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Health Science Technology Education

This summer is a busy time for the Health Science Pathway. We have several students attending the Health Occupations Students of America **(HOSA) National Leadership Conference-June 23-27, in Nashville, Tennessee**. Students will participate in leadership activities and compete in events such as Researched Persuasive Speaking, Medical Math, Medical Spelling, and Creative Problem Solving.

Secondary and Post-secondary health science teachers have a **Professional Development workshop at the MSU Great Falls College of Technology July 7-9th**. The first two days focus on an Anatomy in Clay workshop emphasizing hands-on learning, followed by strategic planning for curricular support and alignment from high school to college, and ideas for on-going professional development.

Our Health Science Teacher Training- Missoula College of Technology, July 27-31 is full! We have secondary science and health enhancement teachers from across the state participating in this new training. After the one week training, these teachers will participate in a 40 hour job-shadowing experience in a medical facility and receive an endorsement to teach in this subject area.

SpectrUM Discovery Area will unveil their new exhibit, "Hands on Health" on Sept. 1st. This exhibit is designed to inspire the next generation of Montana healthcare providers while sharing the exciting world of our bodies and health. This exhibit will take this exhibit on the road to MT schools from Feb-June 2010.

We look forward to continued partnerships with the Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education, Area Health Education Centers and Healthcare Industry partners as our Pathway addresses student interests and workforce needs. Feel free to contact me for more information regarding a health science program in your school.

In health,

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Family and Consumer Sciences Education Human Services & Resources

OPI, OCHE and Tech Prep are sponsoring a Summer Professional Development Conference for family and consumer sciences teachers August 10 – 12 at Fairmont Hot Springs in Anaconda. The conference, “Making Connections within FCS,” includes information on programs of study and curriculum development, connections with post-secondary programs, technology training and academic integration. Lodging, meals, and conference registration will be provided for those teachers attending the training.

FCCLA

The 2009 – 2010 FCCLA State Executive Council is staying busy during the summer months. All twelve state officers attended Leadership Camp June 5 – 7 hosted at Camp Mak-A-Dream near Gold Creek, MT, which was sponsored by OPI. The state officers participated in intensive leadership training and program planning meetings to start preparation for the upcoming year. The state officer team will meet in August in Helena to continue with program planning for the school year and the State Leadership Conference which will be held in March. State officers along with approximately 95 Montana delegates (students and adults) will be attending the National Leadership Conference (NLC) from July 12 - 16 in Nashville, TN at the Gaylord Opryland Hotel and Convention Center. This year's theme is "Beyond the Label" to honor the ten year anniversary of the name change from FHA to FCCLA. Students attending NLC will compete in STAR Events, attend leadership training, and participate as evaluators.

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